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Column One
By
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THE Old World flaunts its antiquated finery with just a touch of aggressiveness. Today Queen Elizabeth the Second, in her pretty coach — hoofbeats drumming, white plumes nodding, pursuivants and heralds before — will drive through Westminster to open the new session of the British Parliament. These are always splendid occasions. The splendour, this morning, against the vast workaday and world significance of what is happening simultaneously in America, is not the symbol of universal authority it was before two great wars had shifted the balance of world wealth and world power from contentious Europe to America. The gilt coach, the gold and the ermine are like a fairy-tale told against the crude realities of our world to-day — an evocation of what many people still look upon as a golden age, gone forever before the atomic, jet-propelled and televised age held in eager fief by the 78 million voters or so who, today, will choose one of their number to be President of the United States and most powerful force for good or evil over more than half the globe.

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THAT much, a trifle nostalgically, may be admitted. But no more. The majesty of the State opening of Parliament may be an evocation only, and not a promise — a courtesy device of Great Power status rather than a validation of such status. But when the gorgeous symbols have been put aside and the elected representatives of the British people have got down to work it will be found that the Mother of Parliaments still knows her democratic business as well as anyone and better than some. Although in straitened circumstances, she has managed the affairs of the United Kingdom during the hard post-war years with quite remarkable skill and felicity. In the aggregate, the British people are better off today than they were before the war. Side by side with the levelling down of the minority there has been a levelling upwards of the majority. If the Welfare State has not been accomplished it has come nearer to accomplishment than anywhere else in Europe.

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BUT national welfare will not, in the present session, be the main point. It is not the main point anywhere just now. In spite of the pretensions of sovereignty, the arguments of Nye Bevan, and the admonitions of the Neutralists, space and peoples have become a global strategic conception. Welfare is a matter of security, and security is a matter of overstepping home frontiers and overriding home interests — at least as far as home interests can be overridden without national disaster. The new Parliament will have to deal with that problem. It will have to reconcile its responsibilities to NATO with its responsibilities to the national exchequer. Some further modification of the rearmament programme is therefore likely, as well as new currency and production measures with the object of adding to the country's trade. And for good Conservative measure, the Government intends to denationalise iron and steel and the road transport industry. The Labour Opposition will use all the tricks of the Parliamentary trade to hinder this undoing of two of its pet nationalization schemes; and, in the conflict, will probably rediscover unity. That unity cannot be far away. The cruel facts of the rearmament programme have already driven Mr. Attlee's policy close to Mr. Bevan's contentions; and the Pinay-Herriot complaints about American interference and E.D.C. have got Bevan into good company and given circumstantial point to his demand for an independent British policy in world affairs.

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WHATEVER is said, however, the key to the new session of Parliament is not in Westminster; it is in the ballot-boxes of the United States. Today's gilded coach, the Brigade of Guards, the scarlet and ermine of the Peers, cannot hide that simple fact. Britain has a world part to play not merely in the strategy of global security but in that of constructive peace. The finger on the spring which would release her genius and energy to that part — indeed, which would release the genius and energy of all free Western nations — belongs to the man who will sit in the White House. Whatever M. Pinay or Mr. Bevan may choose to say about American interference, neither would deny the fact or the inevitability of American leadership today. It is a fact and an inevitability which must be read this morning into every word of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's Speech from the Throne.

Jerusalem, November 4.

U.S. Votes for President Today as Race Ends in Big ?

Balloting Expected To Set New High

NEW YORK, Monday (AP).— The long presidential campaign trail ended on a big question mark today and the great political spotlight swings tomorrow to the most ardently wooed people on earth — the American voters.

Both presidential nominees, General Dwight Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson and their running mates for vice-president, John Sparkman and Richard Nixon, closed their campaigns last night with final appeals over nation-wide radio and television hookups.

The vote is expected to exceed greatly the record 49,820,000 of the Roosevelt-Willkie contest in 1940, and this is one of the factors confusing the political prophets who are extremely wary in any event because of the way the predictions went wrong when Truman defeated Dewey in 1948.

Use of Television

This year's voters are probably the best informed in history. It is the first campaign in which wide use was made of television to bring the candidates and their programs home to the people. There are about 19 million television sets now in use throughout the U.S.

In addition to the Presidency tomorrow's election stakes include 34 seats in the Senate, 432 in the House, 29 State governorships and hundreds of minor State and local offices. (See Page 3, — Col. 5.)

A last-minute regional survey by Reuter's put Mr. Stevenson ahead by a small margin. Reports from Reuter correspondents in 37 of the 48 States — which have between them 466 of the 531 votes in the Electoral College — give the Democratic candidate a lead of about 30 votes.

Gov. Stevenson

Gen. Eisenhower

Polls Favour Ike by Slender Margin

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — A survey of four public opinion polls appearing on the eve of the presidential election tomorrow indicated a very slight lead for General Dwight Eisenhower — but none flatly picked him to win.

The four polls were the Gallup, the Crossley, the Elmo Roper and the Lubell analyses made for the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

The election eve Gallup poll showed 47 per cent for Eisenhower, 40 for Stevenson and 13 per cent undecided. Allocating these undecided votes in two ways based on how they went in 1944 and 1948, Gallup found: if they go 2 to 1 in favour of Stevenson — Eisenhower will get 51 per cent and Stevenson 49 per cent; if the "undecided" 13 per cent divide 3 to 1 in favour of Stevenson, then Eisenhower and Stevenson will be exactly tied.

Gallup's conclusions were that Eisenhower had the advantage with voters who had made up their minds. But in order to win he must halt or reverse the present trend towards Stevenson and maintain his narrow margin in the four crucial States of New York, Illinois, Ohio and California.

Uncertainty Explained

The Crossley conclusion was that at the middle of last week Eisenhower would get 47.4 per cent of the popular vote to 42.3 for Stevenson. The poll listed 9.3 per cent as undecided. But the director of the Crossley poll, Mr. Archibald Crossley, added there were four major reasons why the election would still go either way:

- Uncertainty over States with large electoral votes such as New York, Illinois and others.
- The electoral system whereby a a candidate may win a majority in the Electoral College with a minority of popular votes.
- The last-minute effect of dramatic announcements by either side.
- The normal allowable variation involved in a sample of the whole nation.

Roper said, "Our final poll, for which the interviewing ended on Friday night, shows there are enough people undecided to throw the election either way." Eisenhower, according to Roper, was ahead of the Democratic nominee but Stevenson picked up ground between October 15 and 31 although he was still trailing at the beginning of the month.

U.N. Marking Time Pending Results

By Jesse Zel Lurie.

NEW YORK, Monday. — "Election Outcome Highly Uncertain" was the "Times" headline this morning. Its survey gives General Eisenhower 11 states and Governor Stevenson ten, with the rest doubtful. Professional pollsters put Eisenhower in the lead but, remembering 1948, they hedge on definite predictions so carefully that it is little more than "If Eisenhower wins, Stevenson will lose."

Although the U.S. delegation to U.N. insists that American foreign policy will not change no matter who wins, and they have prevented a postponement of the Assembly meetings, in fact, the delegates are marking time until tomorrow. One said that Americans were actually voting in the first place for America's candidate for world leadership against Stalin.

Before the nominations, Eisenhower seemed to be the best candidate to win European confidence. Now they prefer Stevenson.

In spite of Senator McCarthy, the campaign has been relatively clean. The "Times" state-by-state report this morning shows an unfavourable reaction to McCarthy's address last week in all but two states. The bigots' candidate was General MacArthur, and they did not let loose their usual anti-semitism barrage at either the Democrats or the Republicans.

Anti-semitism was injected only for a moment in the campaign by the Republicans, with Rabbi Silver's help, by distorting President Truman's statement about the supporters of the racist McCarran Act. But this was a one-day sensation. Truman explained his statement, Silver returned to Cleveland and all was forgotten.

Britain Preparing Briefs on Dollars

By George Lichtheim,
POST Correspondent

LONDON, Monday. — While awaiting the outcome of the American elections, Treasury officials are quietly preparing briefs on the dollar problem which Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden or Chancellor of the Exchequer R. A. Butler is expected to take to Washington early in the new year.

Washington has recently been given some indications that a new approach is being prepared now that the failure of the Marshall Plan to rectify Europe's dollar shortage has become obvious. Whatever administration is in power, Congress is now no longer expected to further massive grants-in-aid.

Recent hints have suggested that the stimulation of private American investment is to fill part of the gap. This approach meets with skepticism here even in Conservative quarters where Mr. Butler's recent slogan "Trade, not Aid" was originally greeted with approval.

The proposed establishment of a dollar fund to back convertibility of European currencies into dollars is likewise treated with reserve. These proposals all suffer, in the British view, from excessive optimism about the possible expansion of European exports to America. American "off-shore" military purchases are now regarded as Europe's best hope of overcoming the dollar shortage.

Insult and Injury

Consequently, today's announcement that the R.A.F. is to be equipped with a large number of American fighter-interceptors, pending faster British production of these machines, has come as a shock, especially since at the same time large off-shore contracts have been awarded to France for jet fighter production.

In the present circumstances this means that Britain not only does not profit from the off-shore programme, under which the U.S. buys European equipment, but in addition suffers the humiliation of seeing her responsibility for home defence transferred, to a large degree, to American machines.

While the "Manchester Guardian" comments sharply on this subject, most papers preserve a discreet silence. Fighter interception is so essential a requirement for Britain, and the recent Farnborough Air Display showed [illegible] for British jet aircraft, that the announcement presents a sharp disappointment.

The fact is, that while the British prototypes displayed at Farnborough are superior to the American machines now contracted for the R.A.F., their output has been lagging, a problem which also troubles civil jet-plane manufacturers.

S. Africa and India Clash at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (Reuter). — India and South Africa accused each other in the U.N. Special Political Committee today of bad faith and unwillingness to reach an agreement on the position of Indians in the Union.

Mr. G.P. Jooste, leader of the South African delegation, accused India of exploiting South Africa's racial problems "for reasons of her own." He said the South African delegation's presence at the meeting of the Special Political Committee did not mean they were prepared to submit the matter for settlement under the U.N. Charter, as the whole matter is a domestic matter.

Indian Warning

In presenting India's complaint of bad treatment of Indians in South Africa Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit warned that events in the Union were moving towards "inevitable catastrophe." She claimed that South Africa had refused to implement the successive resolutions of the General Assembly which called for both sides to enter into negotiations.

India's complaint against South Africa is to be followed up in the Political Committee by discussion of a resolution presented by the Arab-Asian bloc, calling for the repeal of the apartheid laws.

Africans Given Stiff Terms for Defiance

PORT ELIZABETH, Monday (Reuter). — Fifty-six Africans were fined £15 each with the alternative of 30 days imprisonment here today for contravening racial laws. Police said they had sat on railway station benches reserved for Europeans.

S. Koreans Fail To Retake Vital Hills

TOKYO, Monday (Reuter). — South Koreans today failed in big attacks to regain two hills in central Korea. Two battalions advancing under cover of an artillery barrage made three attempts to take "Triangle" Hill but were driven back by heavy mortar fire.

They also failed on "Jane Russell" hill. These hills flank the bulge the U.N. have made in the Communist main defences.

General Van Fleet, 8th Army Commander, said today that the U.N. was in complete control of the situation in the area bounded by Chorwon, Kumhwa and Kumsong, which guard the central Korean invasion routes to the south.

The Communists lost 38,285 casualties in ground fighting last month in launching their hills offensive, an 8th Army spokesman said today.

Vietminh Planning New Offensive

HONGKONG, Monday (Reuter). — Dr. Ho Chi Minh, Soviet-trained leader of the Vietminh forces, has hinted at new operations by his forces against the French this autumn and winter, according to Peking Radio today.

The radio quoted Dr. Ho as telling a meeting of his "Ministers" somewhere in northern Indo-China that this autumn and winter the situation would be "more favourable" to his forces. "The French invaders have been forced back into an inactive and defensive position," he added.

Last reports from the northern Indo-China battle-front reaching Hanoi told of something of a lull prevailing. A French Army spokesman said: "We are carrying out a reconnaissance operation, but generally speaking we are waiting to see where the Vietminh will strike next."

Egypt Gives Sudan Three Years To Decide Future

CAIRO, Monday. — Egypt has proposed to Britain that the Sudan choose between unity with Egypt and complete independence before the end of 1955.

But the Egyptian Government has suggested in order that the Sudanese choice be made freely and "without foreign influence," British and Egyptian troops should both be withdrawn from the Upper Nile territory at least one year before the choice is made.

This was disclosed tonight in the latest Egyptian proposals towards solving the long standing Sudanese problem as put to Britain. The office of Premier Nagib issued the text of Egypt's proposals little more than 24 hours after handing them over to British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson yesterday.

Transition Period

The note suggested a transitional period envisaging two objectives: first, to secure full self-government for the Sudanese and, secondly, to provide the requisite free and neutral atmosphere for the Sudanese to exercise self-determination.

The transitional period should be considered as a liquidation of the dual Anglo-Egyptian administration, the note pointed out.

The Governor-General during the transitional period should be the supreme constitutional authority within the Sudan and should exercise his power with the aid of a five-member commission comprising two Sudanese, one Egyptian, one Briton and one Indian or Pakistani—each proposed by his own government.

The note said the Governor-General should remain responsible to the two liquidation governments as regards, first, any affairs which are not strictly internal and, secondly, any change requested by the Sudanese Parliament as regards any part of the statute for self-government. (UP, Reuter)

RIDGWAY IN TURKEY

ISTANBUL, Monday (AP). — General Matthew Ridgway, Supreme Commander of the Allied forces in Europe, arrived in Istanbul today for a four-day visit to Turkey and Greece.

He is scheduled to inspect defences in both countries in the general area south of the Bulgarian border. Among the places he will visit are Edrine (Adriatic coast) and Kavalla in Greece. He will go also to the Gallipoli area and Izmir, site of NATO's new South-East Europe Command.

Tito Blames Both USSR, West For Present World Tension

ZAGREB, Monday (Reuter). — Marshal Tito told the sixth Congress of the Yugoslav Communist Party here today that "imperialist" Soviet Russia was mainly responsible for the present world tension but that the West must also be blamed.

Two thousand delegates representing the party membership of nearly 800,000 cheered their leader as he declared in a four and a half hour speech that Marshal Stalin's Soviet system was "up a blind alley" and it was now the Yugoslav Communists who were the true heirs of Marx and Lenin and the guardians of the Communist orthodoxy.

He said the Yugoslav Communist Party had an historic role: to wage on an international as well as a national level "the struggle against Cominform Soviet revision of Marxist theory and practice."

Marshal Tito who is General Secretary of the party, asked delegates to change its name to the "League of Communists of Yugoslavia." He also revealed that Yugoslav Communists are to make an effort to extend their influence to left-wing movements abroad in an effort to cut out Cominform influence. The main vehicle for this is to be the Communist-controlled "Peoples Front of Yugoslavia" which it is proposed should now be renamed the "Socialist Federation of the Working People of Yugoslavia."

Marshal Tito

Two Spheres

Rejecting recent charges by Marshal Stalin and Deputy Premier Georgi Malenkov that the West, particularly the U.S., was responsible for world tension, Marshal Tito said the root of the matter lay "in the imperialist method of settling international problems" and in the division of the world into spheres of influence.

"Soviet Russia did this in the past and is still attempting it today," he said. But though Soviet policy was "imperialist" in the worst sense of the word Russia was not entirely to blame for the strained international situation.

"When we enumerate the sins of Soviet foreign policy we do not forget those of the Western powers —not few in the past and still being committed today," he said. In the West there were still "rabid reactionaries endeavouring to make the most of the present situation for their own purposes." Among these, he said, were the Vatican and the Roman Catholic Church.

Speaking of the German problem, Marshal Tito said the negative policy of reaching settlements on the basis of spheres of influence would have to be abandoned there. "The imperialist partitioning of Polish and German territories in favour of Soviet Russia should be revised and the matter settled in a way that safeguards the national interests of the German and Polish people," he said.

Marshal Tito warned delegates that danger did not threaten only from the East. "The capitalist world entertains no love for us as a socialist land but is prepared to cooperate with us on a number of questions of common interest. Its most reactionary elements hate us no less than the reactionaries of the East," he said.

The West might try to turn Yugoslavia from the path of Socialism to that of capitalism, which they called Western democracy. The East had wanted her to turn towards Cominform revisionism. But Yugoslavia intended to follow her own line.

For all that he believed "useful cooperation between countries of different internal systems" was possible. But it was necessary for "both countries to adhere to the principle that the internal order of each country is a matter concerning its people alone."

Will Work with West —But on Own Terms

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). —Determination to cooperate with the world outside the Soviet sphere — but only on his own terms — keynotes today's speech by Marshal Tito, according to diplomatic quarters in London.

At the same time his intention to be a good neighbour to Greece, Turkey and Austria is strongly emphasized. And his insistence that cooperation with the U.S., France and Britain, from whom he is receiving economic aid, is free from political strings is borne out by his public adherence to Marxist theory.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Moscow Radio broadcast last night an official denial of reports that secret negotiations on Korea were in progress between U.S. and Russian representatives. It quoted "Tass," official Soviet news agency, as being authorised "to declare that such reports were aimed at misleading world public opinion."

Coalition Wins Confidence; Nurock Minister of Posts

Knesset Approves New Minister

The new Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, Rabbi Mordecai Nurock whose appointment was approved by 56 to 34 votes yesterday, is one of the most respected members of the Knesset.

He is known for his personal integrity. On a number of occasions since he entered the First Knesset in 1949 he broke with the coalition on matters of conscience. He voted against the Government on reparations and with the Herut party on demanding privileges for I.Z.L. and Sternist veterans equal to those of the Haganah.

Rabbi Nurock

Rabbi Nurock is bitterly anti-German and most of his speeches in the Knesset were connected with the German problem. His entire family had been wiped out in Europe by the Nazis. He came to this country in 1945 from Siberia, where he had gone from his native Latvia. There he had been a representative of the Jewish community in parliament. He is 68 years old.

In the debate yesterday, a number of Opposition speakers praised the new Minister as a Zionist and as a man of integrity, but Mr. Peretz Bernstein (General Zionist) questioned his qualifications for managing the post office. Mr. Itzhak Ben Aharon (Mapam) said that it was odd that a rabbi and a religious scholar should be made responsible for the Ministry under whose jurisdiction there must of necessity be desecration of the Sabbath.

After the vote, Mr. Haim Landau (Herut) made a statement expressing personal admiration for Rabbi Nurock but expressing surprise that he should have agreed to join a Government which would implement the reparations agreement with the German Government. Rabbi Nurock had strongly opposed the negotiations with Bonn. The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Zeev Shefer, ruled Mr. Landau out of order.

Mr. Ben Gurion will remain acting Minister of Communications in charge of land, sea and air transportation pending the appointment of a permanent minister.

Gov't Musters 20 Vote Majority

By Moshe Brilliant, POST Parliamentary Correspondent

Premier David Ben Gurion's government coalition, narrowed by the defection of the Agudat Israel and Poalei Aguda parties, received a 56 to 36 vote of confidence from the Knesset which reassembled in Jerusalem yesterday after a two months' recess. The House also confirmed the appointment of Rabbi Mordecai Nurock as the Mizrahi party representative in the Cabinet, replacing the late Mr. David Zvi Pinkas. Rabbi Nurock will be Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, which was one of the components of the previous Communications Ministry which Mr. Pinkas had held.

The 20-vote majority mustered by the coalition yesterday does not reflect the Government's true strength, since the parties which voted for it control exactly half the total of 120 in the Knesset. Those who voted against the Government have a potential of 52 votes. Three other factions with an aggregate of eight seats are still weighing their attitude toward the Government and abstained in yesterday's vote. Some of them may swing behind the coalition later, giving the Government a more stable majority. Mr. Ben Gurion said last night that additional changes in the Government may be announced later.

But the Prime Minister told the Opposition that they ought not to rejoice over the fact that they may be able to muster enough votes to upset the Government. Mapam and the Communists on the one hand and the General Zionists and Herut on the other could be united only for "hatred and destruction," but they could not get together for anything constructive, he said. The division in the Knesset was such that there could be no Government without Mapai, and no single faction could prevent Mapai from forming a Government.

Broad Coalition Desired

Mr. Ben Gurion reiterated that he favoured a broad coalition including Mapai, the General Zionists, all the religious parties, Mapam and the Progressives, like the Provisional Government. But he observed that the right-wing which had won 177,000 votes in the national elections and the left-wing which obtained 113,000 votes cancelled out each other, and the Mapai programme, which had been supported by 250,000 voters, must be the basis for the coalition programme. He would not allow any minority group to dictate to the majority, he said sharply.

While Mr. Ben Gurion talked, Rabbi Itzhak Meir Levin's chair at the cabinet table remained vacant and the former Minister of Social Welfare sat in the third tier of the hall between Dr. Abraham Deutch, of Agudat Israel, and Dr. Yohanan Bader of Herut. Rabbi Nurock sat in his usual place, but after his nomination was confirmed by the House and he took the pledge of office, he moved into Mr. Pinkas' seat at the table in the well of the hall.

Agudat Israel's three members switched from opposition to abstention in the vote on Rabbi Nurock. The Progressives, Poalei Agudat Israel and Ahdut Avodah abstained in both votes.

The proposed conscription of religious women for national service, the issue which had caused the defection of Agudat Yisrael and Poalei Agudat Yisrael from the Cabinet, was debated by Mr. Ben Gurion and Rabbi Levin.

Formally Right

The Prime Minister said that the Agudat Yisrael representative in the Cabinet had been formally in the right when he resigned. He had said, when the present Government was formed, that he would leave if the Government departed from the *status quo* on the conscription of religious women. But, Mr. Ben Gurion added, the moral justification for his action was doubtful, since for three years he had remained in the Government and had shared responsibility for implementing the Military Service Law which requires non-religious women to serve.

Rabbi Levin later answered that the clauses permitting women to obtain exemptions on grounds of religious or conscientious objection meant in effect that those who entered the armed forces did so voluntarily.

The Agudat Yisrael leader, continuing, in effect threatened passive resistance to the conscription measures. "You shall not be able to implement them except by force," he said. "No one can forecast what the consequences will be."

Rabbi Levin said that his party would fight for a State based upon the Torah. When he had been in the Government, he had compromised in order to save as much as possible under the

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M.K.s Find Brighter, Larger Restaurant

Knesset members returning from their recess yesterday found the accommodation in the Froumine Building somewhat improved. The restaurant had been enlarged and brightly redecorated with fluorescent lights and modernistic fittings. The cafeteria self-service had been done away with and new waiters appeared in formal dress.

The lounge for Knesset members on the floor below had also been enlarged and redecorated as an M.K. club-room.

New Knesset Member

Mr. Avraham Halfon, of Haifa, was introduced into the Knesset yesterday to fill the Mapai seat vacated through the death of the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Eliezer Kaplan.

Mr. Nahum Verlinsky, general manager of the Tnuva marketing cooperative, was in line for the seat but he resigned.

TRONE TO GERMANY

Dr. Solomon Trone, Adviser to the Ministry of Finance, is leaving shortly on a week's private visit to England, following which he will go to Germany to supervise the purchase of electrical equipment, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

Dr. Trone, who has submitted a long-term plan on the development of the country's power facilities, will return to Israel before going to Germany. He is not expected to leave before the Bonn Parliament approves the reparations agreement.

Considered the most likely candidate for the post of chairman of the Planning Committee to be attached to the Reparations Purchasing Company, Dr. Trone is reportedly insisting that the committee's authority be extended to include some supervision over the implementation of the committee's recommendations.

Jordan Charges Three Killed by Israelis

According to a report in the Jordan paper, "A-Diffa," three Arabs were killed and two seriously injured when Jewish soldiers attacked a village near the Tulkarem armistice lines last Sunday. Jordan reportedly submitted a protest to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, the paper added.

In another incident, A.P. reports from the Old City, an Arab civilian was shot dead by Israeli soldiers who crossed the border into Kafr Jammal in the same district.

Israeli soldiers also fired for two hours, it is claimed, on Arab farmers near Beit Surik in the Jerusalem area. Arab National guards returned the fire. There were no casualties, it was added.

INFILTRATOR RETURNED

A 70-year old Arab infiltrator, who was caught recently at Abu Ghosh in the Corridor, where he was visiting his family, was handed over to the Arab Legion at Mandelbaum Gate yesterday.

An Arab woman who was picked up in Nazareth a few days ago for her illegal entry into the country was also brought to the border, but the Legion refused to accept her. They claimed that on Sunday, Israel had refused to take back an Israel Arab who had crossed into Jordan.

The two cases have been referred to the Mixed Armistice Commission. (Itim)

Four Iraq Parties To Boycott Elections

BAGHDAD, Monday (Reuter). — Four out of five Iraqi political parties decided today to boycott the forthcoming general election because of the Government's insistence on holding it in two stages.

They are the Istiklal, Socialist Umma, National Socialist and A-Sha'ab. The Constitutional Union Party, led by former Premier Nuri e-Said Pasha, has refused to join the boycott.

(Nuri Pasha resigned the Premiership in July to make way for the formation of a neutral cabinet to prepare the elections due to be held this month.)

TURKEY WANTS MORE AMERICAN AID

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — Turkish Prime Minister Menderes told foreign journalists visiting Ankara that Turkey is pleased with American economic aid, but does not think it is getting enough, according to Ankara Radio.

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Social & Personal

Rabbi Dr. I. M. Rosenberg, Mizrahi M.K., returned by El Al yesterday. Also aboard the plane was Rabbi I. M. Abramovitz, secretary general of Agudat Yisrael who had been on a mission to the U.S. on behalf of his Party.

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A reception was held in Haifa at the home of the Consul of Panama and Mrs. E. Mizrahi, on the anniversary of the Republic's independence. Among the guests were the District Representative, members of the consular corps and notables of all communities.

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Sir Thomas Dalling, veterinary expert in the service of the Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome, left by air for Cyprus yesterday after a short visit.

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Professor Michael Zohary, Professor of Botany at the Hebrew University, has returned from England where he took part in a symposium of the London Biological Institute on behalf of UNESCO.

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Mlle. Jeanne Marie Darre, the pianist, arrived by El Al for a series of concerts yesterday.

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Mr. Robert M. Hilgeman, citrus and date expert, left Israel yesterday, after spending four months here on behalf of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the U.N.

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Dr. I. Rubin, editor of the "Herut" daily, returned from the U.S. yesterday after a five-month tour. He brought with him large albums of works of the French painter M. Henri Daumier, a gift from the Boston Museum to the Bezalel Museum of Jerusalem.

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Mr. C. W. Gerstel, General Manager of ICOA, Israel Corporation of America, a subsidiary of the Palestine Economic Corporation, has left on a short trip to Europe.

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Mr. Yekutiel Keren, head of the Police Headquarters Administrative Division, left by El Al for London on Sunday night to negotiate the purchase of supplies for the police stores.

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Mr. Yehuda Almog has taken over duties in the Development Division of the Finance Ministry as coordinator of the Dead Sea area. He will aid in recruiting workers needed for the Dead Sea Works.

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Mr. Nathan Shmueli, head of the Tax Collection Department of the Ramat Gan Municipality, left for New Zealand yesterday for four months on a study tour sponsored by U.N.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Szczupak returned from France.

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Mr. Wilbur Chase, American Consul at Haifa will discuss the "American Electoral System" at a Rotary Club Luncheon tomorrow at the Zion Hotel, and will speak on the same subject before the University Women's Association at 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Technion.

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A lecture on "Impressions of Pakistan" will be given by Miss Annadele Riley, Director of the U.S. libraries in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem and Education Officer of the U.S. Information Service, at the United States Information Centre, 50 Rehov Bialik, Tel Aviv at 8.30 Thursday night.

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A Happy Event? Announce it in this column—your friends all over the country and abroad will be pleased to read about it.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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GIVAT RAMBAM: Rambam.

HAIFA: Magen David, 13 Geula, [illegible]. [illegible], opp. Hadar Cinema, [illegible].

KIRYAT BIALIK: Bialik, 7230.

Local Producers Alarmed Over Import of German Goods

POST Economic Correspondent

There are ten plants in this country which produce ceramics, including sanitary goods, wall tiles, electric equipment, and so on. New factories are at present being built, and while local production now covers part of the local needs, the industry maintains that it will be able to supply the entire market in 1953. The ten ceramic plants today employ 250 workers which they hope to increase to 400 next year. During the last couple of years $1,200,000 and IL.1,800,000 were invested in this branch.

The managers of the ceramic plants became alarmed when the list of goods to be imported from Germany during the coming year was published recently. They got together and decided to state their case before the public and to send a delegation to the Government to present their demands. They maintain that raw materials, including fuel for the whole industry, amounts only to ten per cent of the value of finished goods, that their position has become difficult in any case owing to the crisis in the building market, and that imports of ceramics from Germany would endanger their position. They point out, too, that the import list as published was made up without their representatives being consulted.

Case of Ceramics

The case of the ceramic industry is only one among many. Producers in Israel are becoming alarmed at the prospect of imports under the German reparations scheme which might endanger local production. The fact is often ignored that the published list of import goods is no more than a general framework within which the Government is allowed but not bound to operate. The producers tend to think that goods which may be ordered will indeed be imported. Or local producers think it necessary to forestall the threat by protesting even if it is not yet sure that imports in a certain branch are planned.

The Government has tried to allay suspicion by the general statement that no goods will be imported which are produced in Israel. The statement is too sweeping to suffice. More and more branches will turn to the Government to protect their interests, not relying on the declaration of general policy and being anxious to prevent imports which might spell death or a slump to local production. It would be a good thing if the Government could be more explicit; it should publish the import programme as a whole. Then there will be fewer demarches in Government departments. Moreover, the public should have a chance to judge the import programme and its impact on economic development in general.

In general terms, producers and the Government are agreed among themselves. In details, however, things are far from clear. This makes for anxiety in an economic position which is already pretty delicate and must be spared unnecessary jolts.

Voice of America Election Broadcasts

NEW YORK, Monday (UBIS). — Continuous around-the-clock reports of tomorrow's elections will be broadcast by the Voice of America on Wednesday. A shortwave programme will be transmitted from 2 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Israel time) on the 31-metre band. In addition V.O.A. will broadcast the returns from 2 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. on the 41-and 49-metre bands; from 7.45 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the 19-metre band; and from 9.15 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the 25-metre band.

The English-language broadcasts will also be heard on 215 metres medium wave from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Special Hebrew, language broadcasts will also be broadcast from 3.45 a.m. to 4 a.m. on the 31.3 41.5 and 48.4 metre bands; from 8.45 a.m. to 9 a.m. on the 19.9, 25.4 and 31.3 metre bands; and from 1.45 p.m. to 2 p.m. on the 19.9 and 31.3 metre bands. These broadcasts will also be heard at the same hours on 215 metres on the medium wave.

The U.S. Information Centre in Jerusalem is installing special radio reception equipment in the American Consulate-General in Hamilla Road to pick up all these programmes, and will welcome the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

IRON ORE FOUND

Quantities of iron have been found in Ajlun, the northern district of Jordan, and in the Jordan Valley areas, "A-Diffa" reports. Samples of the ore have been sent to Amman to establish their industrial value.

Kiryat Yam Starts Elementary School

HAIFA, Monday. — Kiryat Yam laid the corner-stone today for its first elementary school. Plans show an attractive, two-storey building comprising ten class rooms for 350 children, a library, a club-room, workshop, a kitchen and a dining hall.

The work is to cost IL.65,000, toward which the Government has given a IL.25,000 loan. Insurance companies have advanced another IL.10,000. The local Council chairman, Mr. J. Kober, said that as local elections were to be held in another month, the appointed Council did not wish to turn the school over to any particular trend.

AT THE CINEMA

"SILVER City" (Zion, J'lem) is just another technicolor Western, i.e. an orgy of brute force, upper cuts, destructive mania; starring Edmund O'Brien, Barry Fitzgerald, Yvonne de Carlo. But the only real actress is old-timer Gladys George who has a small part.

Somebody Loves Me...

"LULLABY of Broadway" (Orion, J'lem) is a pleasant and polished technicolor musical about Doris Day, a promising young song- and dance-starlet who returns to New York after years in London to find that her mother, an ex-Broadway star, has become an alcoholic entertainer in an obscure Greenwich Village nitery. Gladys George turns out a moving true to life performance. Gene Nelson is once more a phenomenal tap-dancer, S. Z. Szakall acts as the sugar-daddy. Billy de Wolfe is an ex-actor, now a spotless valet. There is plenty of extravagant choreography and nostalgic Broadway-melodies.

FRANGO

Plenty of Laughter

CLIFTON Webb now seems to be established in domestic life films. In "Elopement" (Amphitheatre, Haifa), he is the father of the girl who runs off with her psychology lecturer. The couple disappear in a car. Both sets of parents, irate with their offspring and with each other, give chase to stop the impending marriage. Gradually the roles change. The lovers shy from the future, while the parents decide that the wedding must take place. Within this framework, with a good director like Henry Koster, there were bound to be highlights: the anonymity of the girls seen en masse at the graduation ceremony or the capitalization of marriage demonstrated by the neon signs outside the village which advertises itself as the "American Gretna". The book of words contained some solid pieces but the general aim of "Elopement" was farce and plenty of laughter, a series of situations rather than manners.

Opera on the Screen

THE problem facing Powell and Pressburger in translating "Tales of Hoffman" (Armon, Haifa) into screen terms was the opera's episodic nature; the connecting thread is slight for the purpose — and it may be just this point that accounts for the extreme aestheticism of the production. Moira Shearer, the heroine of "Red Shoes", dances the part of the doll Olympia against a background containing, at times, surrealist effects. Ludmila Tcherina in black tights, portrays Giulietta in the midst of a Venice of stylised canals and lavish palace junketings. Lastly Anne Ayers, the opera singer Antonia, dies amidst the scenery of early 19th century colour prints. Apart from the dancing, the true bond throughout is not Hoffman (competently played by Robert Rounseville) but it is the diabolic Lindorf in his various phases. That is Robert Helpmann's combination of light-footedness, make-up and deft acting. The orchestra and music, conducted by Beecham, is well recorded. Whatever one's opinion of "Tales of Hoffman"'s ultimate cinema value, it is good entertainment. Worth seeing.

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JERUSALEM CINEMAS

ARMON: All About Eve (6 & 8.30 p.m.)
EDEN: Texas Carnival.
EDISON: The Dancing Years.
OR-GIL: Room for One More!
ORION: Lullaby of Broadway.
STUDIO: The Little Women.
ZION: Silver City.

Haifa Cinema

ATZMON: Tel. 2001. The Blue Veil. (3.30, 6.30 & 9.00 p.m.).

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 407 M.; HAIFA: 300 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.8, 33.3 & 522 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7, 7.30 a.m., 12.30, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R). 11.00 Music (R). 11.30 Wind Instruments (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.02 Programme for Hospitals (R). 12.30 At the Opera (R). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music (R). 2.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety. 4.45 Music (R). 5.30 Agricultural Corner. 5.50 Language Course. 6.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.57 Programme Announcements. 7.59 "Voice, Instrument and Orchestra" (R). 7.58 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra: Conductor: George Singer. Soloist: Paul Yoshua Blacherger(?). Milhaud Programme: "Les Songes," Concerto No. 1 for Cello & Orchestra; "Creation du Monde"; Suite Provencale. 10.30 Encounts (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

466, 25½, 215 & 43.8 M.

English News 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Chamber Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Science Studio. 6.00 The Working Woman. 6.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (33.3, 43.8 & 466 M.): French 6.30 p.m.; Ladino 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish 7.30 p.m.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 11.15 Newsreel. 11.30 "The Man in the Street" 11.45 Violin Recital: Joseph Kaminsky.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.4, 216, 225 & 239 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Musical Dictionary. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Light Music. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 News. 8.45 Military Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme 3.45-4.00 p.m. (13, 16, 19 & 25 M.): Pages from a Book.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92 & 30.53 M.): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.40 Jewish Affairs. 6.45 Visitors' Corner. 6.55 Theatre Review.

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REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Haboker Attacks 'Narrow Class Approach' of Prime Minister

Commenting on the opening of the new Knesset session, "Haboker" (General Zionist) fires several broadsides against the Government, rejecting the "pathetic appeal to the conscience of the opposition" and criticising the "narrow class approach" and "materialist class egoism" of the Prime Minister. At the same time the paper criticises the Government's foreign policy and what it calls the "exaggerated hopes" the coalition allegedly nursed with regard to the chances of a peace treaty with one or more Arab states. In this situation, at a time when there is a further accumulation of clouds on the political horizon the representatives of Mapai try to continue to stay in power by enlisting the help of the small parties in the Knesset.

Two other opposition papers also comment on the same issue: "Hakol" (Agudat Israel Extremists) is exclusively concerned with what it calls the encroachment of the state apparatus on those spheres of life which should be guided solely by the principles of religion. "Hamodia" (Agudat Israel) says that its parliamentary faction will appear proudly today in the Knesset: its decision to leave the coalition had not only practical-political effect but had also much moral-educational value. The task of the party is now to press Mapai to give in to Agudat Israel's religious demands.

Mapam Attacks Decisions

All Histadrut party papers comment on the recent Histadrut conference. "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) criticises sharply the decisions adopted there, all of which, apart from the decision to receive Arab workers as members of the trade unions, were in line with the old Mapai policy. The newly adopted decisions on internal discipline mean that freedom of expression, the freedom to struggle for one's political opinions and convictions, will be taken from 40 per cent of the Histadrut members.

"Hador" (Mapai) berates Mapam for having abstained from voting on the appeal of the Histadrut to release Zionist leaders in Rumania and to allow emigration from the Soviet Union, though a number of Hashomer Hatzair and Ahdut Avoda members are among those arrested in the "people's democracies." "Omer" (Histadrut) says that the decisions on the strengthening of internal discipline might open a new period of collaboration. There are bound to be differences of opinion, but the unifying factors are stronger than the dividing.

Constructive Decisions

"Davar" (Histadrut) believes that the conference adopted a number of important and constructive decisions. The paper ridicules the apprehensions voiced by "Ha'aretz" (Independent) with regard to the restriction of the rights of the Histadrut minority. It would be interesting to know, it says, how "Ha'aretz" would react, if, for instance, the minority in the Tel Aviv Municipality (led by a right wing coalition) should refuse to pay taxes.

"Ha'aretz" comments on the lack of skilled workers in Israel as a retarding factor in our economic development. The paper says that many institutions are concerned with professional training, but none is really fully responsible for it. The Ministry of Labour should take things into its hands and plan ahead for a number of years to provide specialists for those branches where they will be most urgently needed.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

6-7: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time: 3-5 p.m.
9-1; 3-6: Early Islamic and Persian Pottery (from the collection of Mr. Harry Philipps). Contemporary Dutch graphic art. New acquisitions. Recent additions to the collection of Chinese Art. Exhibit of the Month: "The Dancer," Chalk drawing by Edgar Degas (1834-1917). Recently acquired by the Museum. Bezalel.
10-1; 4-6: Autumn Exhibition of Jerusalem Artists. Artists House.
8-6: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions. 21 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

TEL AVIV

8 p.m.: "Awake and Sing" Chamber Theatre. Mograbi Hall. 8.30 p.m.: "No Exit." Sartre. Zira Theatre. Dizengoff Square. 6 Rehov Reines.

HAIFA

4-8 p.m.: Exhibition of Sculptures by the Paris Sculptor, Constantin. Artists' House. 21 UNO Avenue.

RAMAT GAN

8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo. Wonderful Revue. "It Will Be Good." Rama Hall.

HADERA

8 p.m.: "Arsenic and Old Lace" Chamber Theatre.

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Producer: Edis De-Philippe
Stage Designer: [illegible]
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Conductor: M. Goldkin

Petah Tikva Shocks T.A. Hapoel

Petah Tikva Maccabi shocked Tel Aviv Hapoel in their League "A" Israel Football Association fixture at Jaffa on Saturday by slamming in two goals in the first 15 minutes. Hapoel, however, recovered and evened matters to two-all by the interval, to end the scoring for the match.

The result was in the balance until the end but honours remained even. Both sets of forwards were unable to get past the defenders in the second period. Ben Dror and Carmeli beat Chodorov to thrill the 7,000 spectators early on. The former broke through in the ninth minute of play and Carmeli slammed in a strong drive on the quarter hour, both of which had Chodorov standing and looking.

The Tel Avivians gradually recovered and took over the initiative later on in the half. Veterans Ruskin and Isaac Chechik, re-enforcing the Hapoel youthful set-up, proved their worth when they netted. The former reduced the deficit in the 39th minute while Chechik got the equaliser two minutes before the change-over. The second half was exciting but many scoring chances went astray without the ball going into either net.

Easy Win For Champs.

The League champions and leaders, Tel Aviv Maccabi, had an easy win against Petah Tikva Hapoel, also on the Jaffa ground, winning by 3-0 by goals all scored in the first half. Halibner, Schneour and Eli Fuchs bottled up their opponents attack and made it easy for hard-working and clever Goldstein (in the 5th. minute) D. Weiss (23) and Glaser (33) to net for Maccabi. The Hapoel men, apart from A. Carmi, who covered Glaser well, seemed overawed by the champions. Visoker, in goal, and the defenders, made expensive slips, particularly the "goalie" with two of Maccabi's goals. Petah Tikva did try hard in the second half but, although not playing at full steam, Tel Aviv had no trouble in keeping the Hapoelites out.

The third Tel Aviv team featured on Saturday's programme, Betar, were out of town at Nathanya, where they drew one-all with the local Maccabi team. The hosts went into the lead with a successful penalty by Machness in the 25th minute but Betar evened matters in a strong second period when Elimaleh equalized in the 78th minute. Only one League "B" match, in the Southern section, was played with Jerusalem Hapoel defeating Jaffa Maccabi 3-0 in the Capital.

Exciting "Friendlies"

There were some exciting and high scoring games in the "friendlies." Raanana Hapoel were hosts to Hadera Maccabi, who went into a 3-0 halftime lead. The home side, however, fought back in the second half, but Hadera kept ahead to win 5-4. Kfar Saba went into a 4-2 lead over visiting Haifa Maccabi and kept ahead at 5-3 for a home win. In an inter-Hapoel game, Affula defeated Bet She'an, 3-1. Ramat Gan Maccabi entertained Tel Aviv Hakoah (not as given Sunday) and drew one-all, after a goal-less first half, while Ramat Gan Hapoel went to Hadera to beat their clubmates there by 2-0, scoring once in each period. A youth team "derby" at Rehovot brought a win to the Maccabi set-up over the Hapoel lads, 1-0, with a first half goal.

(Results given Sunday)

(A. KALMAN).

DEEP DOWN.—Forty-year old Raymond Bucher plunged 39 metres without benefit of a diving suit. Wearing only a helmet, he claims it is the deepest dive on record. He dived into the Bay of Salerno off Amalfi. He was under water one minute and 17 seconds.

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Nahariya	60	16	27	26
Tel Aviv Port	64	17	28	25
Hakirya	51	15	28	28
Lydda Airport	35	13	28	27
Jerusalem	53	17	23	22
Beersheba	—	—	—	30
Eilath	21	16	30	30
Tiberias	39	20	31	31

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with occasional showers at first, becoming partly cloudy in the North and fair in the South.

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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Tnuva's monthly turnover reached the sum of IL.3,532,700 in September, a Tnuva spokesman announced yesterday. This figure compares with IL.2,172,300 of September 1951.

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The ceremonial opening of the academic year of the Institute of Adult Education in Talbieh, Jerusalem, will take place at 3.30 p.m. today. Prof. Martin Buber will preside.

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The Reverend Antonio Vergani, Vicar of the Latin Community in Northern Israel, and the Reverend Halil Jemal, Rector of the Anglican Church in Nazareth, yesterday issued a leaflet denying that they signed a petition to the Military Governor to outlaw the Communist Party. They offered the Communist Trade Union Congress £10,000 if it could prove their claim that they had signed the petition.

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The Sephardi Yeshivot and the Mizrahi schools have been granted one five-room house each in the Holon ma'abara by the Jewish Agency.

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An edible oil factory of the Franciscan monastery in Ramle was closed by Ministry of Commerce inspectors yesterday for operating without a licence.

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Convicted of having sold 60 radio-sets at the unofficial price of IL.165 each and of registering the sale at a lower price in their books, Aharon and Avraham Griber, brothers, of 4 Rehov Mazeh in Tel Aviv, were fined IL.1,000 each by the Tel Aviv Anti-Profiteering Court yesterday.

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Prizes of IL.100 given by the Prime Minister were distributed to three Jewish and two Arab mothers of 10 children each in Haifa on Friday.

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The Bank Leumi opened two new branches in Tel Aviv yesterday—at 78 Rehov Levinski and 58 Allenby Road. The latter branch will be open between 4.30 and 6 every afternoon except Friday, as well as during the usual hours.

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Tax Forms Nos. 1 and 2, which contain written explanations on regulations covering deductions from salaries, may be obtained at the Deduction Department of the Tax Office, 38 Lilienblum, Tel Aviv.

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The main office of the Tourist Centre, which is attached to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, is being transferred this week from Hakirya to Jerusalem. The new office will be in the Seraj building, Queen Melisande St. (4236, 6414).

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The Bat Yam Local Council has requested the Municipal authorities for a direct bus service to northern Tel Aviv. At present Ichud runs a service to the Central Bus Station, while Tel Aviv is served by the Dan Company.

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Michael Auerbach of the Mahane Yisrael ma'abara was swindled of IL.300 by two unidentified persons who took the money as "part payment for the discharge from Haifa Port of a tin-smithing machine." The swindlers gave him what they said was $300 security in a package, which, upon being opened, was found to contain paper. Police are searching for the two men.

Greek Team Arrives

TEL AVIV, Monday.—A selected Athens football team arrived at Lydda Airport today. It is scheduled to play against a selected Tel Aviv team tomorrow. It will be the first meeting between Greece and this country in 15 years.

The Athens team boasts nine international players and another five who took part in the recent Olympic Games. They will train at the Ramat Gan Stadium tomorrow morning, after which a reception will be held at the Tel Aviv Municipality.

The second half of the game will be broadcast.

ROKACH APPEALS

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Mayor Israel Rokach appealed to Professor B.Z. Dinaburg, the Minister of Education, last week, against the appropriation of only IL.280,000 to the Municipality for new school buildings. About IL.750,000 was needed, the Major claimed.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Sausage for labourers: 200 grams. Poultry for pregnant women: 750 grams. [illegible] Bananas for pregnant women: 1 kilo, [illegible] Eggs for pregnant women: [illegible] Eggs: [illegible] Bananas: 500 grams, [illegible] NORTHERN DISTRICT: Frozen Meat: 100 grams, Gimel 47, [illegible] SAMARIA DISTRICT: [illegible] Poultry: 150 grams, [illegible] Fish: 150 grams, [illegible] Bananas: 500 grams [illegible] for pregnant women, 500 grams. [illegible]

Personal Notice

Our deepest sympathy
to our 'Haver'
AVIGDOR VITULI
on the passing away of his mother.
KFAR MONASH

Agreement Reached On Bond, UJA Drive

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, told the Executive in Jerusalem yesterday that full agreement had been reached with Dr. Joseph Schwartz, Executive Director of the United Jewish Apeal, and Prime Minister Ben Gurion on the Bond Drive and the U.J.A. appeals in the U.S.

Dr. Schwartz is to leave for the U.S. today.

The Executive resumed its deliberations on this year's budget after Dr. G. Josephthal, Treasurer of the Jewish Agency, stated his views on the budget suggestions by Department heads.

Dr. Goldmann gave a luncheon party at the King David Hotel yesterday for Dr. Schwartz and the other U.J.A. leaders here on a short visit.

The guests were welcomed by Dr. Goldmann and by Mr. M. Sharett, and Dr. Schwartz replied.

Members of the Cabinet present, in addition to the Foreign Minister, were Mr. H. Cohen, Mr. L. Eshkol, Dr. D. Joseph and Mr. P. Lavon. Of the Jewish Agency Executive were Mr. J. Braginsky, Mr. E. Dobkin, Mr. M. Kol, Mr. Z. Hermann, Mr. G. Josephthal, Mr. N. Nir, Mr. Z. Shazar, and Mr. S. Eisenberg, General Secretary.

Others present were Mr. G. Agron, Mr. J. Klinov, Mr. T. Kollek, and Mr. Charles Passman.

Mr. Beckelman, of the Joint Distribution Committee, has joined the U.J.A. party, consisting, in addition to Dr. Schwartz, of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sobeloff, of Detroit, and Dr. G. Goldsmith, of Chicago.

Custodian Denies Demolition Charges

A firm denial that buildings, whose rental returns do not cover repair costs, were being demolished by the Custodian of Abandoned Property was issued yesterday in reply to a statement by the Jerusalem Municipal Engineer on Sunday.

The Custodian has and continues to invest money in repairs without considering rental returns, it was said. The Custodian has only demolished those buildings which constitute a danger to the inhabitants and only after receiving authority to do so from the Municipality. Such demolitions have taken place in Musrara, Mei Neftoah and in Ein Karem.

Child Risks Life For Pet Kitten

Devotion to a pet kitten almost cost the life of a five-year old boy yesterday in Jerusalem.

Menahem Mann, of the Bokharan quarter, jumped into a two-metre deep pool of whitewash to rescue his grey kitten. As he began to sink below the surface, he called for help. When Yonathan Walter, of Nathanya, a guest of the boy's family, ran to rescue them, the boy was still holding the kitten above his head.

The boy received first aid at the Magen David Adom station. Both boy and kitten are doing fine. (Itim)

LACK OF PLANS DELAYS LOAN

The Government is holding up a IL.200,000 loan to the Jerusalem Municpality for public works projects because the city has still failed to submit "concrete proposals," it was announced officially yesterday.

Mayor Y. Kariv has admitted before the Municipal Council that the plans have been delayed and would be prepared as soon as possible. Opposition Councillors pointed out that the Ministry of Labour loan was designed to relieve the city's acute unemployment situation, and sharply criticised the administration for failing to draw up the plans by this time.

Beets in Fish Ponds

HADERA, Monday. — After a successful experiment in planting sugar beets in a 50-dunam dry fish pond, Mr. Ezra Danin, head of the Hadera fish pond company, told *The Post* today that some 30,000 dunams of dry fish ponds throughout the country could be transformed into sugar beet plantations.

Under normal weather conditions, an estimated yield of five tons per dunam may be expected. Sugar beets have hitherto been cultivated in irrigated fields only, Mr. Danin said.

MERGER COMING

LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday (Itim). — The merger agreement of 'Zim' and 'Dizengoff' shipping companies, will be made final shortly, it was stated by Mr. Yaacov Shapiro, M.K., and legal adviser of both companies, when he arrived here today from the U.S.

Compulsory Loan Gazetted

By POST Economic Correspondent

All owners of property will be liable to a compulsory loan, if a bill just published by the Government becomes law. The introduction of the bill was forecast in a statement by the Minister of Finance to the Knesset on June 16, in connection with the compulsory loan on banknotes and deposits.

Property, under the terms of the bill, includes all immovable property, both urban and rural, plantations, plots, machinery and other equipment, vehicles, livestock, raw materials, finished and unfinished goods. Articles of personal use are exempted.

The loan carries an annual interest of 4 per cent, capital and interest to be paid by the Treasury. Between April 1, 1957 and April 1, 1971, the loan will be redeemed at a rate of one-fifteenth of the amount outstanding, but the Government is entitled to redeem the loan wholly or in part before 1957. It may also issue, beginning on April 1, 1957, bearer loan certificates to the amount taken up by property owners.

Valuation of Property

After defining ownership and laying down rules for leaseholds, partnerships and agricultural settlement cooperatives, the Bill determines the value of the various categories of property for the purposes of the loan.

In the case of urban buildings, the value is 80 times the net annual value, according to the terms of the Urban Property Tax Ordinance, for buildings completed before April 1, 1932. If completed after this date and before April 1, 1940, the multiplicator is 48, thereafter until April 1, 1948, it is 84, and finally, for buildings completed between 1948 and April 1, 1952, the net annual value is multiplied by 104.

Special provisions deal with minimum values per room, starting with IL.800 for one room in urban dwelling homes completed before April 1932. Office rooms and shops are to be valued not less than twice this value and may be valued three times as high if situated in central streets. A room, in this respect, must not exceed 20 square metres; larger rooms are valued correspondingly higher. The valuation is different for industrial and rural buildings.

In agricultural areas, for instance, the value of one dunam of citrus or other plantations will be IL.150. Intricate regulations apply to machinery, other technical equipment, and stocks of manufactured goods.

SCALE OF LOAN

The loan is graded as follows:

Value (in IL.)	Rate (in per cent)
Not exceeding 10,000	6
10,001 to 25,000	8
25,001 to 50,000	10
50,001 and over	12

Payments is to be made as follows (in per cent of loan):

1. For Goods	Within 1 month:	[illegible]
	" 3 months:	[illegible]
	" 5 months:	[illegible]
	" 7 months:	[illegible]
2. For other Property	Within 1 month:	[illegible]
	" 6 months:	[illegible]
	" 12 months:	[illegible]
	" 18 months:	[illegible]
	" 24 months:	[illegible]
	" 30 months:	[illegible]

Owners' Option

Property owners have an option to pay, in place of the whole loan or half of it, a property tax according to the following scale:

Value (in IL.)	Rate (in per cent)
Not exceeding 10,000	2.5
10,001 to 25,000	3
25,001 to 50,000	4
50,001 and over	5.25

A considerable number of the 44 sections of the Bill deal with its implementation and the competence of the Treasury to issue technical regulations.

The property of foreign states and their representations, and property of the U.N. are not subject to the provisions of the law.

ELECTRICITY CUTS EASED

Relaxations of some restrictions on the domestic use of electricity starting today have been announced by the Palestine Electric Corporation yesterday. The new revisions, which go into effect today, cover various household electrical appliances.

The prohibited hours for cooking, baking and heating appliances, including wash boilers, are from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., from Sunday to Thursday. On Fridays, the restricted hours are from 7 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Electric irons may be used throughout the day, except between 5 and 7 p.m., and storage water heaters may be switched on only between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., the announcement said.

Delinquent Taxpayers Get 'Amnesty'

The Ministry of Finance is to declare a four week "amnesty" for those who have lagged behind in their payments of income tax, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

According to regulations, delays in the payment of income tax carry a fine. Those who pay their backlog during the amnesty will be exempt from the fine.

GOV'T TO ARBITRATE LABOUR DISPUTE

The labour dispute in Rehovot last month between the local branch of the Histadrut and the National Workers' Union will be arbitrated by the head of the Labour Relations Department of the Ministry of Labour, a spokesman of the Ministry announced yesterday.

KIBBUTZ NIRIM WINS

BEERSHEBA, Monday. — A prize, a certificate and priority for building materials — was awarded by the Jewish Agency Technical Department to Kibbutz Nirim in the Western Negev, today. The settlement had the best building programme of the year.

Arabs 'Miss Bus' On Reparations-Pawelke

"The Arabs have missed the bus and their protest has come too late," West German Minister to Cairo Guenther Pawelke said yesterday according to NEABS. He was commenting on the efforts being made by the Arab League delegation in Bonn to prevent ratification of the reparations agreement with Israel.

Mohammed Daouk, head of the Arab League delegation at Cologne said yesterday that he was still confident of reaching a settlement with the Germans. There was goodwill on both sides, he added.

Daouk, who is also the Lebanese Ambassador at Paris, said the Arab League delegates were pleased with the understanding that representatives of German industry had shown for the Arab case. They had given the impression that German industry wanted to avoid anything that could disturb trade relations between them and Arab states.

The Arab delegation had still to hold meetings with various interested German circles, he said. *(Reuter)*

Higher Egg, Milk Prices Being Mooted

The three "Economic Ministers", — Finance, Commerce and Industry and Agriculture — are to meet today to discuss an increase in food prices, particularly of eggs, milk and oranges, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

The discussions are not directly connected with the negotiations which have been going on for the past two months between the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the Ministry of Finance over increases in the price of bread, oil, sugar, meat, tea and coffee, all of which are imported. Higher prices of these products are to give the Ministry of Finance an additional income to offset the deficit in the foreign currency exchange fund.

When the Ministry of Finance sells foreign currency to importers, the counterpart in Israel pounds is deposited in this fund; payments for foreign currency bought from exporters and investors are made from the fund. At the present, it shows a deficit.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry had already estimated the rate of increase in prices of a number of products at between 15 and 20 per cent as sufficient to cover the deficit, but the Ministry of Finance recently indicated that the gap has increased and that the price rises would have to be higher.

At today's meeting the Ministers will discuss the demands of farmers for increased prices. They are asking 15 pruta more per litre of milk, seven pruta more on the average per egg and 150 pruta on the average for a kilogram of oranges and grapefruit.

PLANS BEING MADE FOR 3 EGGS A WEEK

The Ministry of Agriculture has decided in principle to maintain the present level of poultry farming, that is 2.7 million hens, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

It is expected that this number will provide a ration of three eggs per head per week.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has ordered large quantities of chicken fodder which is due to arrive this month. It includes 6,700 tons of grain fodder, with an extra 5,000 tons being negotiated, 3,200 tons of sunflower seed cakes and large quantities of fish meal and cod liver oil.

It is expected that the quantities already purchased will suffice for three months.

Court Upholds Paper's Loss of Licence

POST Legal Correspondent

The withdrawal of the licence of "Haitog Hademokrati," a Yiddish daily, was upheld by the High Court yesterday. The Tel Aviv District Representative had withdrawn the licence, because between December 1951 and July 1952 the paper had appeared only eight times.

Legally, the District Representative may take this step if a newspaper fails to appear more than 12 times in the course of a month. Mr. M. Stein, the owner of the paper, argued, however, that the motivation for cancelling the licence was that the paper was printed in Yiddish.

The Court pointed out that according to the District Representative's testimony, he tended to be less lenient toward newspapers printed in a foreign language. It could not interfere in the matter, however, the judgment stated, only because the District Representative had failed to be lenient and had availed himself of the powers given by the law.

Justice Olshan, Assaf and Agranat sat on the Bench. Mr. A. Tell appeared for the State and Mr. M. Stein for the newspaper.

PRISONERS NOT FREED

The recent decision of the Jordan government to release all Palestine Arab prisoners under administrative detention is eye-wash and has not been implemented, the Old City opposition weekly, "A-Sareeh," claimed in its editorial yesterday.

The decision was cancelled by the Jordan Supreme Council but a few hours after its adoption by the Cabinet. Thousands of detainees are in desert camps along the Saudi Arabian frontier.

Pediatricians will be able to examine special cases in the Gymnasium Health Centre, 1? Balfour Street, Tel Aviv, at 9.30 on Wednesdays, instead of the weekly visits in hospitals as until now.

29 Governors Also Stand for Election

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — Twenty-nine contests for State governorship will also take place in the national election tomorrow. There are for vacancies caused by four-year terms expiring in January next. A similar vacancy in Maine was filled last September when the successful candidate was Mr. Burton Cross, a Republican.

Another state which has elected its Governor was Louisiana, where Mr. Robert Kennon, a Democrat standing as a "reform" candidate, beat the incumbent Democrat Mr. Earl Long. Governor Kennon is now an Eisenhower supporter in the presidential election.

The 29 contests tomorrow for governorship involve 15 posts held by Democrats and 14 by Republicans. The fact that 11 Republican Governors are standing for reelection as against only seven Democrats may have an influence on the close contests in the States for the presidential electoral vote.

Also important from the point of view of the presidential election is that Mr. Alan Shivers in Texas is the *Republican* candidate although a Democrat. He has headed the "Democrats for Eisenhower" movement in his State and has thrown the weight of his State "machine" into that campaign.

Mr. Sherwood Dixon's fight to succeed Governor Stevenson is an essential part of the Democratic presidential candidate's campaign to win Illinois, one of the three highly uncertain big States.

Mr. Frank Lausche, popular with Republicans as well as his fellow-Democrats in Ohio, is having a tence battle with Mr. Charles Taft, Senator Robert Taft's brother, and the outcome of this election is being closely watched.

Mr. John Thurmond, former Governor of South Carolina and a "Dixiecrat," though nominally a Democrat said he would vote for Mr. Eisenhower.

Students Expected To End Strike

A general meeting of the Hebrew University student body will be held this morning at 11 o'clock in the Orion Cinema. It is expected to vote to end the students' strike against higher tuition fees.

Negotiations between the University and the students have been in progress and agreement has been reached on almost all points. The questions still outstanding are expected to be settled by the Knesset Education Committee, which may meet today on the matter. The students and the University are expected to accept the Committee's decision.

SHOT IN LEG

Eliezer Ben Yehuda, 14, of the Talpiot quarter of Jerusalem, was accidentally shot in the leg yesterday by his father while the two were hunting wild birds near Kibbutz Neve Elan in the Corridor. He is the grandson of the late Eliezer Ben Yehuda, the pioneer of the Hebrew language revival.

The boy was taken to Hadassah Hospital. *(Itim)*

FOUR CHILDREN DROWN

Four children were drowned and more than 65 houses washed away when rain poured down from Mt. Hermon and swept through el Muadamiah village, near Damascus, ANA said yesterday. Continuous rain for the past three days has hindered rescue work.

Earthly Paradise Found in India

[illegible], WESTERN HIMALAYAS, Monday (Reuter).—A former Indian army captain claimed today that he had found an earthly paradise with a golden mountain peak and valleys of flowers after looking for five years for the Himalayan Heaven mentioned in Hindu legend.

He said here today that his paradise—a plateau [illegible] long and 4,000 metres high—lies between the peaks of [illegible] and [illegible] mountains in the uncharted area near the Tibetan border.

Claiming that he has discovered [illegible] Peak, the mythological "Golden Mount" of the Hindu scriptures, which rises beyond the plateau and is perhaps the most enchanting of all, he said: "Its peak rises above a mass of glaciers and is so steep and conical in shape that no snow can rest on it. When the sun shines it glitters like gold." The plateau is rich in mineral wealth and contains several valleys of flowers, [illegible] claims.

Gaitskell Coming Here As Histadrut's Guest

TEL AVIV, Monday (Itim). — Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, former Chancellor of the Exchequer in Britain is scheduled to arrive in Israel shortly as a guest of the Histadrut. He is to give a number of lectures on economic problems at the Hebrew University.

Mr. Akiva Govrin, M.K., who headed a four-man Histadrut delegation to Great Britain at the invitation of the Ministry of Labour, who returned by El Al today, said that other British labour leaders are expected to visit the country shortly.

Dr. Heller Expected

TEL AVIV, Monday.—Dr. James G. Heller, president of the Labour Zionist Organization of America is expected at Lydda Airport tomorrow as the guest of the Prime Minister. Dr. Heller is a member of the Zionist General Council.

He will also take part in the conference of American Zionist leaders which is being convened at the invitation of the Prime Minister and the chairmen of the Jewish Agency Executive.

U.S. Meeting to Aid Histadrut Campaign

NEW YORK, Monday (UP). — More than 1,500 delegates from 700 benevolent fraternal organizations met here yesterday under the auspices of the United Organizations for the Histadrut to determine means for aiding the Histadrut's $10m. campaign.

U.S. SENATOR HERE

LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday (Itim). — Mr. P. Kamerick, of the Subsidiary Committee of the U.S. Senate Appropriation Committee, arrived by T.W.A. today on his world tour. Mr. Kamerick told reporters he was interested in studying Israel economic conditions and the working of the Point Four and Mutual Aid schemes.

POLICE BEHAVIOUR WAS REGULAR

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — Mr. A. Sela, Police Superintendent of the Haifa District, told reporters today that allegations that police beat ma'bara residents at Emek Hefer last week were unfounded. The charges were made by the ma'bara Committee.

Mr. Sela said no mention was made in the evidence collected by Sgan Aluf Nehemia Argov, Military Secretary to the Prime Minister, and Mr. Israel Yeshayahu, MK, of irregular police behaviour.

"SVANDA" Haute Couture, Jerusalem
has pleasure in announcing that she will be at the service of all ladies every Thursday from 4—7 p.m.
at the
PARK HOTEL, Tel Aviv

REGISTRATION For Surveying High School

Several places still remain vacant in the Surveying High School of the Government Surveying Department, of the Ministry of Labour, for the School Year starting early in November 1952.

Candidates with secondary school education will be accepted. Candidates who have no financial means will receive accommodation and board at low rates and a few scholarships may also be granted. The course of study is two years and includes all necessary preparation for an examination granting a Qualified Surveyor Licence.

Application forms are obtainable by application to the Surveying Department, Rehov Yehuda Halevy, cr. Rehov Shenkin, Tel Aviv or to: P.O.B. 2730, Tel Aviv.

Former Shanghai Residents

(DESIGNATED AREA)

Irrespective of country of origin, or with any registered outstanding claims are requested, in connection with the restitution of common claims arising out of absorption and start of work in Israel, to communicate before November 15, 1952 with one of the following persons or offices: except Friday and Saturday.

JERUSALEM: and vicinity	GOLDSTEIN, Greek Colony 18/22 next to Lishkat Ha'avodah, Office hours: 8.30 a.m.—12 noon; 4-6 p.m.
TEL AVIV: and vicinity	B. ROTH, 60 Rehov Wolfson, Office hours: 11 a.m. — 12 noon; 3-4 p.m.
HAIFA: and vicinity	Dr. H. Skomlinsky, 48, Herzl St., Office hours: 9-10 a.m.; 3-4 p.m.

or write to "SHANGHAI", P.O.B. 4301, Tel Aviv, enclosing stamped and addressed envelope, if information is required by mail.

Association of Former
Shanghai Residents in Israel

KNESSET

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circumstances. He did not regret the experiment.

He added that Mr. Ben Gurion was endangering the security of the State. Without divine help, he said, the War of Liberation would never have been won. The State was still threatened, he added. "How can you endanger the aid of the Almighty?"

Poalei Agudat's two Knesset members were conspicuously silent in the debate. They are believed to be planning to return to the Cabinet after the controversial women's national service measure becomes law, and their abstention in the confidence vote was regarded as tacit confirmation of this.

Spokesmen for the other two groups which abstained clarified their positions. Mr. David Livshitz, of Ahdut Avodah, said that his party's function at present was to enable Mapai to resist pressure from the right-wing for concessions by cushioning the coalition majority. If Mr. Ben Gurion negotiated an agreement with the Progressives, they would switch their position, Mr. Livshitz said.

Mr. Pinhas Rosen (Progressive) raised a number of questions which are believed to be the main issues in the talks between his party and Mapai for the broadening of the Government. These were relaxation of superfluous economic controls as well as controls which can not be implemented, tax alleviation, income tax reforms, special privileges for foreign investors transferring capital, the encouragement of private investment, economic and social "discrimination," state control of schools, the expenditure of German reparations monies and the balancing of budgets.

Later, in the lobby, the Arab Democrats issued a statement saying that they had supported the Government because Mapai had agreed to some of their demands, but that they would continue to fight for such measures as the abolition of military rule and for other concessions to the minorities.

Bevan to Vie For Labour Leadership

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — Labour's left-wing leader Mr. Aneurin Bevan, has decided to make "an open bid" for the party leadership, the official Labour newspaper "Daily Herald" reported today. It said Mr. Bevan had decided to challenge the right-wing veteran, Mr. Herbert Morrison, for the post of deputy leader.

The Haifa Municipal Council yesterday evening began the debate on the business tax, which for the past three weeks has been attacked by the Chamber of Commerce.

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Cables in Brief

THEFT.—A British soldier walked into a jeweller's shop in Manchester, asked to see some engagement rings, then swallowed one worth £[illegible] and substituted a cheap imitation. He was obliged to admit the theft because the ring stuck in his throat.

RIOT.—Some 1,000 convicts were out of control in Ohio state prison in Columbus yesterday and one of them had been shot and wounded by guards. Nearly 1,000 convicts rioted last week in this jail and fired several buildings which were reduced to ruins.

DELEGATION.—A Soviet delegation of arts and scientific workers and the Soviet army's Red Flag Song and Dance ensemble arrived in Peking on Sunday to take part in celebrations of the Sino-Soviet friendship month beginning on November 7.

POOL.—Canadian Defence headquarters announced yesterday that senior Canadian, British and U.S. army officers will meet in Quebec this week to pool information on new weapons and new technical developments which can be applied to present weapons.

OIL.—Iraqi Premier Mustafa Umari yesterday received Mr. H. E. Gibson, Managing Director of the Iraq Petroleum Company who has arrived from London. Nadim el-Pachachi, Minister of Economics, attended.

French Paper Charges U.S. 'Stab in Back'

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — The right-wing radical newspaper "l'Aurore" today accused the U.S. of "stabbing France in the back" by intending to support the Arab-Asian bloc in the U.N. over the North African question.

"L'Aurore" said that France was fulfilling her obligations under the Atlantic Charter and that it was "stabbing her in the back" to support "the manoeuvring of those who are trying to get the French out of North Africa."

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In the District Court of Tel-Aviv-Jaffa. In the matter of Dora Blumenthal, who died in New York on January 25, 1951. The Applicant: Dr. Hans Strauss represented by Georg Joel, Advocate, 4 Rothschild Blvd. Tel Aviv.

In virtue of an order of the District Court of Tel Aviv-Jaffa, bearing date this day, I do hereby cite all and all manner of persons to appear in the said Court in ten days from the date hereof, and show cause, if any they have, why the last will of Dora Blumenthal, deceased, should not be proved, approved and registered, and probate thereof granted to Dr. Hans Strauss, named therein, or to Advocate Georg Joel, etc. in default thereof, the Court will proceed to grant the same accordingly.

MOSHE DUER
Registrar

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The Corporation hereby informs domestic consumers of certain relaxations of the electricity restriction hitherto in force. As from today, November 4, 1952, and until further notice, the prohibited hours in residential premises will be as follows:—

FOR COOKING, BAKING & HEATING APPLIANCES
(Cookers, hot plates, saucepans, kettels, coffee roasting machines, etc.)
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Sundays to Thursdays, inclusive,
7 a.m. — 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. — 7 p.m.

Fridays
7 a.m. — 1.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. — 7 p.m.

(Electric irons may be used throughout the day, except between 5 — 7 p.m.

NOTE: Consumers are reminded that in accordance with the standard conditions of supply, *STORAGE WATER HEATERS* may be switched on *ONLY* over night, between 10 p.m. — 6 p.m.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF HAIFA
THE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

NOTICE FOR THE INSPECTION OF THE ASST. LIST FOR THE YEAR 1953/54.

Notice is hereby given that the Assessment List for the financial year 1952/53 which was published on Sept. 15, 1952 is effective for the financial year 1953/54.

Owners of properties, occupiers & the Municipal Corp. of Haifa, may until Nov. 30, 1952, in accordance with Section 112 of the Municipal Corporations Ordinance, apply to the Assessment Committees for the examination of the Assessment List and the Committees shall examine the list. Amendments in the Asst. List as a result of this examination will be effective as from April 1, 1953, in accordance with Section 113(c) of the Municipal Corp. Ord. The Assessment List is available for inspection during the ordinary office hours, at the Assessment Department, room No. 108 in the Town Hall.

In order to facilitate the inspection of the list applicants are requested to bring with them the numbers of block and parcel of the premises which they intend to inspect and apply for the amendment thereof.

In case the owners, occupiers or the Haifa Municipal Corporation find it necessary to ask for the inspection and amendment of the Assessment List on any of the grounds set out in Section 108 & 109 of the Municipal Corporations Ordinance they shall submit, not later than Nov. 30, 1952 a detailed application on a special form which is obtainable at the Assessment Dept. — room No. 108 — Town Hall.

Moshe [illegible]
Nathan Tannenbaum
Eliezer [illegible]
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THE KNESSET AT WORK

THE Knesset reconvened yesterday after a recess of some two months. The measures facing the legislators are as pressing and testing as any that went before, and the House now can get down to business, having disposed in record time of a debate on the merits of the Cabinet changes that death and defection had brought about.

As to the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Pinkas, the Prime Minister made use of the vacation for conversations which ended in restoring to the Mizrahi the Cabinet seat their lamented representative had occupied. The selection of Rabbi Nurock, a tried and seasoned Parliamentarian, in the Zionist Movement and in his former home in Latvia, is one with which only a fault-finding opposition could try to find fault. This arrangement, which gives the country a Postmaster General, leaves the major part of the Communications Ministry to be filled, including its transport department. The Welfare Ministry, vacated by Rabbi Levin, assuming the office to be retained in its present form, is left waiting for the outcome of negotiations which are still proceeding.

Whichever way the decision falls, it is hard to see in these changes either the results or the makings of a crisis. The Opposition and its press have been busy during the recess making a storm to order, and now the House has met it is time the hullabaloo died down. The Government strength has not been seriously reduced by the Agudah's withdrawal of confidence, and no major developments in the last three months seem to point to a shift of balance in the delicately poised Knesset composition. With all this, it is satisfactory that the balance is such that Mr. Ben Gurion's government is not to be driven to seek comfort in the absence of as many as ten of the Opposition, some of whom have gone to do Party business across the waters.

Meanwhile, the Progressive Party whom the Coalition would be entitled, on grounds of common ideas and purpose, to count as friend in case of need, is still weighing the question of joining the Government, and is formulating the conditions in which they would be ready to take on a part of the load. It is a hard decision for some of them, especially those among them who seem not to be aware that in politics, no less than other departments of life, there are no gains without pains. The Progressive leadership would do well to remember, even at the eleventh hour, that what some of their press advisers prescribe is a remedy worse than the disease. Do-nothing-ism is poor counsel at the best of times, and it comes, not unnaturally but with particularly bad grace, from people who are liberal with their advice because this is all they are prepared to give.

The Progressives are not the type who can be satisfied with the part of onlookers in the Knesset, or even of individual abstainers in moments of real crisis. "No one is so generous as he has nothing to give," is a useful adage for them to remember, and they must disregard the promptings of so-called friends who are busy teaching the people their rights, but not their duties. If there is political danger for the Progressive Party in their throwing in their lot with the Coalition — and the opposite is perhaps true that it might well lead to real strength — the nation's interests are also not free from danger; and peril is not overcome without peril. On balance, the Progressives would seem to need the Coalition more than the Coalition needs their four votes. The Cabinet has places to fill, and this Party has the men of desirable calibre to fill them. That, surely, is the question, and not social doctrine or economic practice, about which the differences between Mapai and the Progressives are growing steadily narrower.

The nation is rowing over waves, and each wave gives its shock. A stroke of the oar wrongly applied may capsize the boat. This image should be before the Knesset, from "wall to wall," but mainly before those with a sense of responsibility for the people's affairs as a whole.

NINE 'DOUBTFUL STATES' ARE KEY TO OUTCOME

How America Elects a President

By ELIAHU BEN-AMOTZ

Standing in front of a black-board, listing election coverage times of The Voice of America's 46 Language services, a group of broadcasters and news writers make plans for worldwide "around the clock" broadcasts on "Election Night in the United States." Listeners will hear continuous accounts of the election from the time the first tabulations are recorded this evening until announcement of the next President is made tomorrow. Broadcasts in English may be heard here from 2 a.m. till 5 p.m. and in Hebrew between 3.45 a.m.—4 a.m.; 5.45 a.m.—6 a.m.; and 1.45 p.m.—2 p.m.

TODAY, shortly after the sun rises in the Western Hemisphere, millions of Americans will begin flocking to the polls to cast their votes for the 34th President of the United States. In the last Presidential election in 1948, 48,836,579 persons voted; the figure is expected to be larger this year, however, in view of the intense excitement generated by the campaigns. Of the 158-odd million people in the U.S., all citizens over 21 (in Georgia the minimum voting age is 18) are entitled to vote, but many of those eligible always fail to cast their ballots.

On election day all the cities and towns in the country are decorated for the occasion, for each polling place is marked with an American flag. Booths, from the most deluxe, complete with voting machines, to the most make-shift — a curtained-off garage or front porch, are set up in every precinct — in the heart of New York City and in the heart of the Nevada deserts. Here the people of America will vote today for a variety of State and local officials as well as for Senators and Representatives and a new President and Vice President.

An oddity, in fact an anachronism, of the Presidential electoral system in America is the Electoral College which stands, theoretically at least, between the people and their choice. Although the voter may mark his X after the name of the man he would like to see President, he is actually voting, not for his man, but for a group of representatives of the candidate's party in his State. Each party in each State has a list (which may or may not appear on the ballot) of its candidates for the Electoral College, the number corresponding to the combined total of the State's Senators and Representatives. The party securing a plurality of votes in the State sends its representatives to the Electoral College which will convene on December 15 this year when the Electors will gather in their respective State capitals to cast their votes for one of the Presidential candidates. Theoretically, they are not bound to vote for their party's choice, but they invariably do. Their ballots will then be sent to Washington DC to be opened formally before a joint meeting of the Senate and the House on Jan. 6.

Complicated System

To win, a Presidential candidate must receive a majority of all the electoral votes. Failing this, the choice is theoretically put before the House of Representatives, but this too is unlikely to happen when there are only two major parties in the running.

The effective result of this highly complicated system, (which was designed almost 200 years ago, when communications between the States were slow and hazardous, to ensure that the best man would win by having the people elect the best-informed members of their communities who, in turn, would vote for their Presidential choices) is that as soon as the popular votes in each State have been tabulated, it can immediately be seen which candidate has captured all the State's electoral votes. Thus if a candidate carries the popular vote in New York by a majority of one, he acquires all of New York's 45 electoral votes. It is therefore possible for one candidate to win the popular vote but lose the Presidency, as happened in 1876 when Samuel J. Tilden received 250,000 more popular votes than Rutherford B. Hayes, but Hayes received more electoral votes and consequently won the election. Thirteen other times Presidents have been elected although they had only a plurality of popular votes over the next highest candidate. In 1948, for example, Harry Truman polled fewer votes than the combined total of the other candidates, but he won 303 electoral votes, 37 more than the 266 (out of a total of 531) needed for election. The trick, then, is to carry the popular vote in a few key States, such as New York with its 45 electoral votes, Pennsylvania and California with 32 each, Illinois with 27, Ohio with 25, etc. Whatever majorities the candidates may pile up in Delaware, Nevada, Wyoming or Vermont, they will get only three electoral votes from each of these States.

According to latest reports, it seems likely that 20 States, with a total of 200 electoral votes, will go to Eisenhower, while Stevenson can count on 19, with 174 votes. The nine doubtful States with their 157 all-important votes are New York, California, Illinois, Texas (24), Florida (10), Maryland (9), North Dakota (4), Nevada and Wyoming.

To learn the outcome of the elections, most Americans will sit by their radios into the small hours of Wednesday morning, by which time the result may be fairly clear, though the final official returns won't be in until later. In 1948, for instance, the earliest returns showed a pro-Truman pattern which only became bolder and bolder as the night wore on. If the race is very close, however, the result may not be known until the next day.

News Reports

The burden of counting the votes, unofficially, falls on the willing shoulders of the news services who muster all possible hands to collect the returns from all over the country, and relay them to the people as fast as they can be tabulated. The United Press, for instance, has reserved several large dining rooms in a Washington hotel for election night, converting them into mammoth press rooms complete with dozens of teletype machines and huge charts on which the returns will be recorded. By Wednesday morning, special editions will announce, in screaming headlines, the name of the next President of the United States. It will be an old story by January when Congress finally receives the Electors' ballots and formally announces the people's choice.

PLOUGHING 'A NEW GROVE' AT JALJULIA

Getting Back to the Land

By GERDA L. COHEN

IT wasn't pleasant walking from Allenby to Herzl Street. Dogged by a furtive mutter "Chocolate, chocolate," we had to step off the pavement to pass a number of loungers, promoting "business" in the Lilienblum fashion. Idle shopkeepers propped up their doorways, ready to entice the incautious passer by into buying at at exorbitant prices. Each bench held its full complement of idle, grousing, half-heartedly soliciting alms.

By the time we reached the office of the Cooperative Village movement, we were thoroughly depressed. Dusty stairs, echoing with fretful overstrained voices and frantic banging of telephone dials, deepened the sense of something wrong: the office itself, with that five o'clock staleness of air and spirit, did not exactly invoke enthusiasm—and yet there was no mistaking the tone of excitement pulsing from one ink-stained, untidy little compartment: "You say we get 14 dunams of orange-groves — already in fruit? And irrigation pipes, and the house?" "Well, you build the house." "You know, I think I've wasted 16 years in that factory — but it's not too late to start again: I'd like to join the scheme straight away." "Fill in the questionnaire, and we'll send for you for an interview."

Still Searching

A grizzled husky fellow fairly bounded out of the room, waving his questionnaire like a banner, one grin from ear to ear. Nehama, his interlocutor, began to laugh, "They all suspect a catch in this "Back-to-the-Land" idea, until I send them to Jaljulia and they see oranges growing with their own eyes.

"Every day people come here to register who've been in Israel 20 years, 10 years, and are still searching for the right way of life."

Last January, a Histadrut man who often bumped into city-workers with yearnings to follow the plough, thought up a scheme to found villages for veteran families; after several months of head-shaking and rather sceptical discussion, the Histadrut Executive jumped — and landed on its feet, with an amazingly popular campaign to enlist all those willing to transplant themselves from town to country. Each local Labour Council elected a committee to spread the notion, which caught on so well that 1,500 applications have been received since May. Two hundred families wanted to join kibbutzim — a godsend to many large communes crippled by lack of man-power — and another 180 families chose the "moshav shitufi," half-way between kibbutz and small-holder's, where work and production is organized communally, but family life is private.

Symptomatic of the trend in recent years, the majority opted to settle in cooperative villages — a valuable influx of strength for the Moshav movement. "In the last three years, working as Eshkol's partner, our movement has achieved more than in the 28 years since Nahalal blazed the trail in '21," declared Mr. Y. Korn, the secretary-general: "Now we're trying to rally nucleus-groups in the maabarot, and encouraging Anglo-Saxon families abroad to combine and emigrate together."

Farmer's Group

He'ikar Haoved, a middle-class farmers' association initiated by Mr. Korn in the States has attracted 50 candidates for settlement in Israel, and their pioneer venture was launched not long ago at Beer Tuvia Bet. "I visited London recently and met 20 young people from Poalei Zion, all studying ceramics: they intend to live half by agriculture, half by industry, and would like to join up with their opposite number in Israel, if such a group can be found."

Nehama was already in session with another prospective farmer, in his late fifties, gnarled and deliberate: "I came to Tel Aviv nine years ago, from Poland; served in a shop, tried carpentery — I'd like to be my own boss, and not worry about the rent; maybe I'm too old for heavy work but my son — he's married, without a home — can do most of that." Nehama explained about the IL.500 down payment every family contributes, "not so much these days, really," and folded up the questionnaire, pondering this fair out-door future.

"We reject very few candidates: some were evading call-up, or had caused trouble in their present settlement, or were unable to do physical labour. Take the families on the list for houses at Jaljulia: nearly all are well-established residents of Petah Tikva, employed in work-shops, offices, building; a few come from Hadera, Rehovot, Kfar Yehoshua — and two families from Safed asked to be among the pioneers who will prepare the ground and live in huts until the houses are finished." Up till now, only 20 per cent of the applicants have used this scheme as a remedy to unemployment, but the unskilled labourer, already fighting for his meagre quota of work, will look to the land for bread and security. The urban day-labourer, even more the white-collar man tied to the filing-cabinet, cannot but compare the palpable difference between his diet, housing, health and freedom from worry, with that of his rural counterpart. As queues get longer and nerves frayed, it seems likely that Nehama — who began the job half-time and now does over-time — will find registration of discontented town-folk too much for one person.

A sandy track led from Arab Jaljulia, north of Petah Tikva, to a level field pegged out for the first 30 houses: austere two-room rectangles, without balcony or cupboard provision. The Jewish Agency, aided by each settler's IL.500 and whatever else he can afford, undertook to set up the village in accordance with precedent for new immigrant settlements; except that, faced with a flourishing second generation, the Agency was obliged to allocate two rooms and not the usual single one. Contracting directly through Solel Boneh, who pay the settlers for building their own dwellings, they do not get unanimous approval: "We don't like being ordered around on our own ground. Wages are much less than those we were paid in town, so why not stay in our old jobs and let Solel Boneh hire other labour?"

City-workers have ploughed part of the unirrigated land — 12 dunams a family — and there is plenty of well-water for the citrus groves and two-dunam kitchen garden attached to each house. A good proportion of the veterans passed through kibbutzim, were bred countrymen or trained in an agricultural school, little dreaming how long it would be before their lessons would turn useful. Accumulating data on aspiring pioneers is done far more quickly than their concrete transfer to the beckoning wild, even when the wild, as in the case of Jaljulia, happened to be abandoned Arab property, watered, fallow, fertile. But between the lag between that first happy decision to shake off city shackles, and the actual hanging of curtains and planting of cabbage — purpose grows infirm with waiting.

Quick Aid Needed

Unless the Jewish Agency buckles to, in double-quick time, with the organisation and funds required to bring these 1,000 speedily Back to the Land, it will look as if the Histadrut has bitten off more than it can chew. Apart from Jaljulia, Kurdistani families, long resident in Jerusalem, have gone to settle at Zug Fukani, on the Northern border near Ma'ayan Baruch — a harder terrain to subdue and more desolate than requisitioned Arabs plough-land. A scheme like this, Indian summer of ideals withering in Israel's wintry blasts of get-rich-quick and dog-eat-dog, must be executed with the same energy and hot blood of its conception: no good to pile up applications, bid them be patient for a year, and wonder at a decline in readiness to abandon the city groove.

Men and Things

NOW that the clocks have been put back one hour, the U.K. reaches the time of year to receive first shipments of Jaffa oranges. The season also brings apples down on to the orchard grasses quicker than they can be picked up. Some of this fruit will be set out on shelves where it will keep fairly well for a month or two. But by a deep though not uncommon working of economic law only retail shopkeepers in Britain are able to sell apples, and at high prices too; growers have either to give away or bury their crop.

Although the Genesis story does not clearly state as much, by popular belief it was an apple which led to the first deviationist behaviour ever recorded. The orange does not extend so far back in history; but some scholars of classical legend believe they recognise citrus in the golden fruit of the Hesperides. Centuries later, historical knowledge reaches firmer ground; and most of us can confidently say which of the two fruits William Tell shot off his son's head, and which was sold by Nell Gwynne outside the theatre. Certainly apple and orange make a blest pair; the former being slightly more convenient, since to be eaten it requires only a rub on one's sleeve to bring up the polish and flavour. Moreover, the apple makes apple pie. The orange is quite celestial, a gift of the sun, and once the skin has been attended to presents no core problem. Both, and this is the highest possible praise, ripen worthy of their entrancing blossoms.

W.L.R.

Bible Exhibition in Washington

By CHARLES SOLOMON

IN connection with the 500th anniversary of the printing of the Gutenberg Bible, a special Bible Exhibition is being held in Washington. The main attraction is a copy of the Gutenberg Bible, reputed to be the only perfect copy printed on vellum and which is valued at about $350,000.

There are some very odd varieties of the Bible (in English) which may or may not be included in this exhibition. They include the well-known Breeches Bible, popularly so-called because Genesis iii, 7 "and they sewed fig-leaves together, and made themselves girdles," reads that they "made themselves breeches." Perhaps even more startling is the so-called "Bug Bible" (Coverdale's Bible, of 1535), in which Psalm xci, 5, is translated: "Thou shalt not nede to be afrayed for any bugges [illegible] by night."

Many famous Bibles have contained errors or mistranslations. Perhaps one of the most unfortunate occurs in an edition printed in 1823, in which "Rebecca arose, and her damsels" (Gen. xxiv, 61) is rendered as "Rebecca and her camels." But even this does not compare with the well-known "Wicked Bible" of 1631, in which the word "not" was most unhappily omitted from the Seventh Commandment. It is, as all journalists and most readers of newspapers know, customary to attribute to the printer all errors of this kind — even though there are other departments of a publishing house that may conceivably be at fault. So perhaps it is not remarkable that there is an edition known as "the Printers' Bible" (ca 1702), which makes David complain that "printers (princes) have persecuted me without a cause" (Psalm cxix, 161).

Some metrical versions of the Bible are also worthy of mention. A poetaster of the sixteenth century, William Hunnis, produced, under the title of "A Hiveful of Honey," a rhymed version of the whole of the Book of Genesis, and, even more felicitously, a "poetical" rendering of the seven penitential psalms, dedicated to the Countess of Sussex and entitled "Seven Sobs of a Sorrowful Soul for Sin." And in more recent days a Bible in shorthand has been published.

(JCPNS)

Readers' Letters

WAGE STANDARDS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—On what principle has the Histadrut permitted a standard of wages for bus company operatives at IL.300 per month plus? On the Histadrut's own showing, this must mean that a wage standard is being recognised as equitable in connection with bus company operatives at least twice as high as that of the average industrial worker in Israel, and this apart from the profits of the cooperative ploughed back into the company.

On any analysis whatever, the bus cooperatives are clearly exploiting the Israel population, and from being an institution that 18 years ago, when I settled in Israel, I pointed to with pride, have become a profiteering body, with none of the public-spirited qualities that might have been expected from a socialist-conceived 'enterprise.' — And overworked doctors have to keep the country healthy on — relatively — a pittance!

Yours, etc.,
BEN HORAI

Jerusalem, October 30.

DRIVERS & DOCTORS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — I read with apprehension that the Histadrut considers IL.300 a reasonable wage for bus drivers. What about salaried professionals? According to Histadrut grading, the top salary for a qualified engineer with 15 years of experience is IL.200 (plus IL.4 for every dependant). A doctor in Kupat Holim with at least 15 years of experience, who is not permitted to have a private practice, is paid IL.200 plus about IL.4 for every dependant. This state of affairs is utterly ridiculous compared with other countries in the world.

Yours, etc.,
Dr. E.S.

Haifa, Oct. 29.

"ISRAEL NEEDS MORE AIRMEN"

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Mr. Aviner's excellent article in your issue of Oct. 29 makes it clear that the problem of aviation in Israel is one of major importance. Unfortunately he fails to stress that the major function of the Aviation Council is to co-ordinate and plan the development of all phases of aviation in Israel. As such, most thinking people would agree, the Aviation Council is not merely "desirable" but beyond argument, "essential."

Agreeing that shifting the burden of the upkeep of the Aero Club from the Aviation Council to that of the Government would be welcome, it would not diminish the need for the Council to continue to take an active interest in the club's activities and help to link them in the right national and international chains.

However, at the moment the Council alone has the burden of supporting the Aero Club in addition to its other numerous responsibilities, and, as Mr. Aviner stresses, under prevailing economic conditions the burden is a severe one. None the less, the work of the Council must go on, and we are planning to hold a great national "Air Gala Week" in the near future, with the two-fold object of spreading "air-mindedness" amongst the public and helping our depleted funds.

Suggestions, offers of help and other contributions from organizations and individuals will be welcomed.

Yours, etc.,
MAURICE GLADSTONE

Tel Aviv, October 29.

END OF AN OLD DISPUTE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Mr. Schocken's suggestion that Wagner be played by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra (letter of October 21.) represents only one of the many voices of musicians, and music lovers who have defended their pro-Wagnerian point of view during the last three or four years. It was, for instance, Jascha Horenstein, now conducting the I.P.O., who declared in an interview some years ago that a symphony orchestra which does not play Wagner and Richard Strauss will necessarily lose in technical skill in the course of time — so unique are the demands these composers make on musicians, especially players of wind instruments.

In the course of this long dispute all musicians were pro-Wagner; and as there is no official ban on the playing of Wagner and Strauss it should be asked who connected with the orchestra is interested in maintaining a condition which is not in accordance with the educational and cultural interests of the country.

The dispute could be ended very easily. During the next subscription concerts of the I.P.O. questionnaires should be distributed among the 10,000-odd subscribers asking whether Wagner should be played or not. The result of this poll — and no other opinions should serve as guidance for the I.P.O.'s attitude in this question, as the subscribers represent a cross-section of the population, although "only" of the music-minded part of it.

Yours, etc.,
Me.

Tel Aviv, Oct. 30.

REFORMED

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — It was reported in your news columns recently that a group of Finnish investors had joined with Nesher, a Histadrut cooperative, to erect a paper bag plant near Haifa. The news item said that one of the Finnish partners was a former Finnish Premier, Mr. J.W. Rangell, who is now Director of the Finnish National Bank.

It must also be pointed out, however, that Mr. Rangell, before his Government fell in the spring of 1943, was one of the most outspoken exponents of full collaboration with Germany.

Yours etc.,
AL ALTMAN

Jerusalem, October 28.

JERUSALEM ART NOTES

Ribas' Portraits, Illustrations

MARIA Ribas is a fine artist. However, in order to find this out, one must study her exhibition at the Y.M.C.A. with some care. The collection is overshadowed by a number of competent and conventional oil portraits. The critic's first impression was: another professional enlarger of the photographs of honoured ancestors. However, close scrutiny of Maria Ribas' works reveals that she can do far better. One discovers "Miriam No. 5" and "Oriental Type No. 8," where, less overwhelmed by the social standing of her model, the artist was far more successful.

Maria Ribas is at her best in her drawings in black and red crayon. Some of these portraits are absolutely delicious, conceived in the vein of French Romanticism. The ladies No. 9 and No. 12 could have graced the court of President Louis Bonaparte. Equally successful are some oriental types in Tempera. The colour engravings, illustrations to Lope de Vega and Merimee, are charming and of a technical quality attained by no other artist in this country. One must hope that Maria Ribas will find an understanding publisher in Israel who will make it possible for her to produce illustrated books like these she has published in Spain.

An illustration to Shakespeare's Sonnets is the best monotype I have ever seen in Israel while the series of "Flowers" in water colour is decorative but somewhat cold. One always returns to the coloured drawings by Maria Ribas which are of a perfection one does not hope to behold in the exhibition of a contemporary artist.

A last surprise of this surprising show is a folder with pastels and temperas. There one finds some compositions successfully striving for a balanced unified pattern in colour and composition, and sketches of dancers in which Maria Ribas sheds her graceful but strong conventionalism. They are very good.

The artist's husband, when asked why these captivating works had not been hung, told me: "My wife was afraid they would be too modern for the critics of Jerusalem." Mrs. Ribas was wrong.

Th. F. M.

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